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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

The following amendment and remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2001 (Paper Number 14). Kindly amend the above-identified United States Patent Application, without prejudice, as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Please amend claim 1 as rewritten in clean form below. A marked-up version of claim 1 amended by rewriting and having all additions underlined is attached hereto.